



## **Gregory B. Edwards, Ph.D.**

Director Infrastructure Services

On 1 December 2014, Dr Gregory Edwards assumed the post of Director Infrastructure Services in the NATO Communications and Information Agency. He is responsible for the life cycle aspect of the Telecommunications Networks and IT Infrastructure; Core and Enterprise Services; Information Technology Modernization Program Executive oversight; in addition to comprehensive solutions for Cyber Security and System Management and Control for the entire NATO Alliance.

Prior to joining NATO, Dr Edwards held various positions at the Defence Information Systems Agency (DISA) (2010 –2014). As the Vice Director of Joint Information Environment (JIE) Technical Synchronization Office he led the architectural engineering and design to develop the JIE for the Department of Defence (DoD). He orchestrated activities with Combatant Commands, Services and Agencies to realize a JIE comprised of shared IT infrastructure, enterprise services, and a single security architecture goal. As the Deputy for Command Centre Operations for DISA, he led day-to-day operations for an \$8.7M, 263 person staff, global Command Centre responsible for DoD Information Enterprise operations and executing global cyber security defence for US Cyber Command. In 2013 he was deployed to Kabul, Afghanistan, under the DoD Civilian Expeditionary Workforce program to serve as a Senior Telecommunications Advisor to the Afghanistan Minister of Communications and Information Technology. In 2008, Dr Edwards joined Qwest Government Services Inc. as a Senior Program Manager responsible for managing a \$150M fiber optic transport and \$500M provisioning services contract portfolio.

Prior to assuming this position, he served as an officer in the active duty Air Force, Communication and Computer Systems for 26 years. His career of distinguished and honourable service included communications and electronic leadership, management, operations, planning, engineering and integration responsibilities. Highlights are serving as the Senior US Joint Service Communications Director and Information Officer in South Korea. He also led DISA's unclassified Data Network Services Branch in executing a budget of \$200M for global data network program management, provisioning, sustainment and life-cycle support. As the Executive Assistant to the Director of DISA, he helped translate a command, control, communications, computer and intelligence system vision into actions focused on revolutionizing military affairs. He also served as a DISA liaison with the National Security Agency to integrate Public Key Infrastructure technology into the Defense Message System. As a military Foreign Area Officer, he was a skilled linguist and served as the Director of a Korean Language translations division.

Dr Edwards earned Bachelors degrees in both Computer Science and Management, Masters degrees in National Resource Strategy from the National Defence University and Information Resource Management from Webster University. In 2011, he received a Doctorate in Applied Management and Decision Sciences, Information Technology Systems from Walden University. He is a graduate of Yonsei University's Korean Language Centre. He earned several military medals and awards of distinction, as well as, official commendations from the Republic of Korea's Chief of Staff of the Army and Chairman of the Joint Chief of Staff for C4ISR interoperability accomplishments. Publication: Doctoral thesis, "Federal Government Information Systems Security Management and Governance are Pacing Factors to Innovation".

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